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WORLD'S-1903-FAIR.

SPEAK OUT.

Has the Star been shuffled out of the deck in the new deal in Missouri Federal patronage? Unlike the Globe-Democrat, that paper has refused to declare for either National Committeeman Kerens or State Chairman Akins. How soon will this stalwart Republican organ get in line with its contemporary and competitor, the Globe?

Or is the Star feeling its way? If not, what does the following extract taken from a recent editorial article mean?

The Republicans of Missouri have never been in more perfect harmony than they have been for several years past. . . There apbeen for several years past. Incre appears to be some duplicity among some of the Republican leaders, it is true, on the subject of Federal patronage, but it is designed to conceal the desire of a few amhitious office ecckers to obtain some patronage at the expense of the good of the party. The real leaders, who have no purpose in view but the good of the party, its preservation and its success in carrying the State, are fully awars of this duplicity and design. Nothing can be gained by such work on the part of persons of influence in party manage-ment and usually results in their overthrow. ment, and usually results in their overthrow.

Aside from the interesting composition of this brilliant dissertation, the plain effort to straddle is ludicrous. These dark hints at conspiracy, these forecasts of utter destruction of somebody somewhere and some time, and the suspicions of intimate knowledge-the mysterious words will arouse both camps of place hunters.

Why delay? Unless the Star gets in line with one or the other of the factions its standing as a good Republican paper will be seriously affected. Now is the time for every Republican to show his hand. And bob-tail flushes don't go.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK.

Democratic prospects for the congressional campaigns of 1902 and for the presidential campaign of 1904 warrant confidence to a degree not more fully justified at any time for many years

The two great American parties are now distinctly aligned for battle on issues which typically divide Republicanism and Democracy. There are no other political parties in the field. The Populists and the Silver Republicans who figured in the national contests of 1896 and 1900 have now been absorbed in one or the other of the two distinctive political organizations. The election of Congressmen next year and three years will follow campaigns in which the Democratic and Republican parties alone submit candidates and platforms for approval by American voters.

As the issues likely to prevail in thes campaigns are now shaping themselve the advantage accrues to American Democracy. There is little reason to doubt that the trusts and the tariff will be paramount as the vital questions to be settled at the polls. Republican sentiment is not united on either issue. There is a growing belief in the party which created the trusts that the public safety demands the restriction of trust power if the people are not to be utterly surrendered into the grasp of monop olistic combinations. President Roose velt himself is credited with sharing this belief. There is also a Republican demand for tariff revision. But, so potent in the Republican national organization is that trust influence which forbids alike the restriction of the trusts and the revision of the tariff that the likelihood of Republican action in the people's behalf is remote.

On the other hand, Democratic sentiment is solidly arrayed against the trusts and the trust-creating high tariff. The American people, at last aroused to the menace contained in these twin evils, are more truly Democratic in spirit than ever before. They will de mand trust restriction and tariff revision. Their demand will be exactly met by the national Democracy. The Republican party must necessarily attempt to quibble and to dodge these issues. Democratic victory is the logical promise of such a situation.

CONFLICTING MOTIVES.

One of the main difficulties attending the movement for Republican reorganization in Missouri seems to be that President Roosevelt and the Missouri factionists are animated by motives radically different and not easy to rec-

The conflict in the party, as far as the Missouri end of it is concerned, is obviously a fight for the spoils. The vital issue is that of the distribution of Federal patronage. From the Kerens camp comes the cry that the Republican National Committeeman from Missouri is the proper medium through whom to dispense the offices. The Hitchcock-Akins faction contends on the other hand that the Chairman of the Re publican State Committee should deal out whatever ple is to be served from Washington. There is no principle involved in this fight. The "outfit" is scrambling for spoils and the scramble has caused a party shindy.

In all likelihood President Roosevelt is striving to settle the Missouri conflict on a higher plane than appeals to the factionists themselves. He cherishes a conviction that a party should win the favor of the people by deserving cable.
such favor. He has endeavored to put The World's Fair Religious Building

petent Republicans in office simply because they were recommended to him as partisans. He is perhaps even now studying the Missouri situation with a pay thoughtful study. view to locating the best men in the Missouri organization and giving them his countenance and official backing. He is probably ignoring the mere "piedispensing" performance so impatiently

demanded by "outfit" spollsmen. The chances are that Missouri Republicanism will refuse to be reorganized on the Roosevelt basis. The party In this State has for so many years devoted itself to a struggle for spoils that a demand for performance of a higher order is not likely to be satisfactorily met. The President has much to learn concerning the "Missouri outfit." And the discouraging knowledge acquired by him within the past few weeks is but a sample of what is to come.

AGAINST MONOPOLY.

One of the certain results of the proposed consolidation of the great railway systems of the American Northwest will be a strengthening of the popular conviction that the time has come for definite and decisive action regulating and controlling trust organization.

The people of the States affected by the contemplated carrier combine believe that such a union of railway corporations would prove disastrous to business and agricultural interests. They claim that the purpose of the movement is to effect a monopoly which would do away with competition, placing one great railway combination in absolute control of the carrying trade of a vast territory.

National and State legislation to prevent a trust monopoly of this nature has been plentiful. The law under which the Interstate Commerce Commission was created is itself supposed to be adequate for the prevention of the consolidation of parallel and competing railway lines. Yet the interests concerned in the pending combine claim that they have the best legal assurances that the project under way violates no law and is not assailable as an illegal enterprise. The inference to be gathered from such an announcement is that the railway systems involved in the movement propose to go right ahead toward consolidation.

American public sentiment will support the national Government and the State officials of the several interested States in a test of the laws as bearing upon the proposed Northwestern railcombine. The- Interstate Commerce Commission will be commended for vigorous action along the same lines. The spirit animating the American people is not that of an indiscriminate hostility toward all corporate organization. What is sought is protection against corporate organization which amounts to monopoly and to utter elimination of competition in business. Projects which contemplate such organization are a menace to the general good and must be dealt with on this basis.

1865-1871.

Complaints from the Globe-Democrat concerning the comments that have been made on the Republican record of 1865-1871 are an interesting study in evasion. The fact that the charges of a "looted" School Fund have recoiled with such force against the Republicans perhaps makes the evasion necessary. Yet complete slience on the subject would be the better part of valor at this time when the people bave become so thoroughly posted regarding the history of the fund.

Yesterday, referring to the first certificate of indebtedness 'ssued in 1872, the Globe-Democrat remarked: "That certificate was not a Republican cres tion. It was conceived and issued nearly two years after the Republican party retired from power."

Tommyrot, Ex-Governor H. C. Brokmeyer, one of the mainstays of the Globe, told the truth about the certificate of debt amounting to \$900,000 when he said in the columns of that paper:

The provision of the Constitution of 1865 relating to the investment of the assets of the School Fund could have no bearing upon action of the General Assembly of 1872, for the question before that body was not of investing assets—there was nothing to invest— but of discovering what assets ought to be in that fund seconding to law, and acknowledging the deficit when those assets failed to

"Not a Republican creation." Nevertheless, if that certificate of indebtedness had not been issued the School Fund would have been short \$900,000. as a result of Republican control.

Aside from that fact, The Republic has called attention to another sum be longing to the School Fund which the Republicans used to pay current expenses. The amount was \$306,478. This has never been made good-perhaps never will be if the Globe has its way. "Looted" School Fund has but one meaning for Missourians-and that meaning is closely associated with Republican control of the school moneys.

INTERESTING STUDY.

In the organization of the World's Fair Religious Building and Exhibit Committee, representing the notable local movement for adequate religious representation at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, the Reverend Doctor Niccolls, a Presbyterian preacher, was elected chairman and the Reverend Father Phelan, a Catholic priest, vice chairman.

Not many years ago such an incident as this, testifying so eloquently to the truth of the closer drawing together of the various religious sects, would have been impossible. In remoter years the holders of differing spiritual beliefs were in the habit of burning one another at the stake. The basis of reasoning leading to such vigorous practices was, apparently, that the man who differed with you religiously was bound for hell and the quicker you sent him

there the better. When Doctor Niccolls, Presbyterian, and Father Phelan, Catholic, come to confer in all amity and toleration regarding the work to be done by their committee they will typically illustrate the good sense of the century in which they live. They will find it easily possible to meet and talk without even a disagreement. Doctor Niccolls and Father Phelan will probably be the best of friends and the most enthusias tic of coworkers. And the committee behind them, composed of members of many and varied sects, will be similarly harmonious and mutually ami-

this belief into effect in the South by and Exhibit Committee is an organiza-

refusing to place worthless and Incom- tion pleasant to contemplate. As one of OPENING CONCERT OF THE the types of progress in evidence at the dawn of the Twentieth Century, this committee, as well as its work, will re-

> HE KNOWS THE GANG. Colonel Kerens's rumored intention of removing to West Virginia in the event of his political overthrow in Missouri by the Hitchcock-Akins-Joy-Bartholdt-Globe combination testifies to the Colonel's intimate knowledge of the political gang whose chief he has been

> for some years past. Whatever principles Colonel Kerens may have represented during the period of his supremacy in Missouri's Republican organization are, logically, as much entitled to respect as if he were still potent as a political leader. The Colonel's personal character, also, calls for the same regard as before. No question of principle or character was involved in the faction fight now at its

But Colonel Kerens will be, politically, deader than a door-nail in the event of his defeat by the Hitchcock faction, for the reason that he will no longer be the dispenser of Federal patronage in Missouri. Just the minute this patronage is taken out of his hands there will be a rush of the gang from the Kerens to the Hitchcock-Akins camp of so breathless a nature as to leave the Colonel in a sudden vacuum of solitude. None of his erstwhile followers and dependents will be so poor as to do him reverence. Why should they? There'll be no revenue in it for them.

The story of Colonel Kerens's contemplated dust-shake is entirely credible. If he is not to control the Federal patronage in Missouri, he would as well go to West Virginia. In fact, from the viewpoint of the spolls gang, he would as well get off the earth.

REJOICE AND BE GLAD.

What better time could be chosen for marriage than the Thanksgiving season? The happiness that overflows men's hearts and maideus' eyes at the thought of the manifold blessings that have been bestowed could have no better expression than wedlock. For what greater blessing has any young couple received than the love that has sprung up between two souls?

Reasoning not unlike this must be responsible for the great number of marriage licenses that have been issued in St. Louis during the three days preceding Thanksgiving Day.

According to the official records 230 yrave young men led as many satisfied girls to the office of the Marriage License Clerk at the City Hall in that time.

Thanksgiving Day truly to them. But the joy of the nuptial hour will not be the foy of the hupital hour will hot be the true test of happiness. As has been said before, the peace and comfort which will attend the everyday life of each couple will show the world the true measure of joy. And no one is so true measure of joy. And no one is so feel to the spirit of the season to characters are in competent hands, and a characters are in competent hands, and a far lost to the spirit of the season to characters are in competent hands, and a wish anything else than that a foretaste of heaven itself may be vouchsafed each of 460 men and women who took mates yesterday.

If the Globe-Democrat holds to its late charge of "immense loss" through "discrepancies in bookkeeping," let that paper come out in a manly way and Identify these alleged "discrepancies." Let some honest expert, who has an established reputation, make the charge under oath. Let there be no subterfuge or empty generalities. The people desire to know just what the Globe means. just what you know.

factions of Missouri Republicans to keep them scrapping with each other while the Democrats pile up the same old majorities.

In his present political battle former Representative Cardwell neglected to ascertain beforehand that for every dollar received from certain corporations by party workers Republicans recelved \$2.

Republican State Chairman Akins should take a day off and reward the unknown friend who started the story about the removal of National Commit teeman Kerens to West Virginia.

Members of the Merchants' League Club will need a brave spirit-or spirits?-in order to hold a celebration, News from Washington seems to warrant a first-class wake.

That Indianapolis woman who re ceived from her St. Louis sister a turkey containing a check for \$10,000 probably classed the latter as sage stuffing.

St. Louis broke the record for marriage licenses issued during Thanksgiving week, thus indicating that the turkey's successor will be the stork. Lord Brassey has told the London Chamber of Commerce that ship sub-

sidies are a failure. Hanna & Co. will think his lordship is well named. A profitable year gave yesterday's turkey a mighty fine flavor. Will the

next 364 days make Thanksgiving Day of 1902 even more enjoyable? That dazed and wistful look on old

Ananias's face is about all that is now

left of his public-debt crusade in search of a campaign issue. While the Kerens crowd missed a slice of administration Thanksgiving

turkey it has a prospect of an unlimited supply of crow. This new highwayman trick of imprisoning the robbed victim in an icebox constitutes crime of the most cold-

blooded sort.

Having returned thanks for blessings received, now proceed to work vigorously and worthily for their deserved continuance.

President Roosevelt probably returned thanks that the Missouri "outfit" is the only one of the kind in existence Another such week of good, solid

pleasure and St. Louis will become used to the mad whirl of metropolitan life. When Hanna sounds his cry for help against a rebellious President every

trust in the country will respond. Hospital Saturday and Sunday should appeal with irresistible magnetism to

thanksgiving community.

CHORAL-SYMPHONY SEASON

The St. Louis Choral-Symphony Society presented Verdi's "Requiem" at the Odeon last night. Seats were at a premium, and many of the late-comers stood throughout the performance. The chorus, on raised tiers of seats, niled the stage from one side to the other, barely leaving space on the frent of the stage for the orchestra and the soloists. A profusion of palms and potted plants extending the entire length of the proscenium, completed an artistic effect. It is illuminative to say that Verdi con-ceived the idea of a Requiem mass after

ceived the idea of a Requiem mass after Rossini's death, in 1868, to be written by numerous composers, Verdi himself to write the last number, the "Libera me." The various parts were found to be so unlike in treatment, however, that it went no fur-ther than a trial. Upon the death of Manzoni, one of the greatest of Italy's patriota and poets, for whom Verdi entertained a fillal respect, he wrote the Requiem mass to celebrate in a solemn manner the first anniversary of the poet's death. It was performed at Milan in 1874, and met with

immense success.

The requiem opens after a few measures of prelude, with the chorus chanting the appeal for rest, planissimo, leading up to the fugue, "Te decet bymnus," which is in pure religions style. In the "Kyrie," the tenor states the theme, which is in turn taken up by the other soloists, and later by the chorus, and a double sextet closes the first part. The second part, which contains solo parts for the basso and contraito, and a trio for the soprano, contraits and tenor, is in strong contrast with the first, being much more dramatic in tone and allowing more scope for the orchestra. The adagio trie, "Quid sum miser," upon which Verdi was lavish with melody, was greeted with prolonged apphuse, which brought forth bows from the principals. Part two closes with immense power, both vocal and dramatic. In the third part, comes the "Agnus Pel," a duet for soprano and alto, which is the gen of the mass, and thought by many to be one of the happiest numbers Verdi ever scored. The trio in the sixth part leads up to the climax of the work, "Libera me," with which the work closes in a fugue of majestic proportions. a trio for the soprano, contralto and tenor, majestic proportions.

one is at first struck with the utter dis-similarity of this work to any other of Verdi's except "Aida." In both of these Verdi's except "Aida." In both of these he goes so far as to approximate the style of the devotional music of the church in the days of Gregory and Palestrina. It has not the conventional form of the masses of Beethoven, Mozart and Haydn, and the listener is struck with its strong dramati-

The solo parts were sung by Miss Marie Zinmerman, soprano; the ever-pleasing Miss Jersie Ringen, contralto; Mortimer Howard, tenor, and Whitney Tew, basso. Miss Zimmerman has a voice of remarka-ble range and of excellent quality. In the duets for soprano end contraito, she is especially effective. Mr. Howard and Mr. Tew, though heard in this city for the first time, found friends. Mr. Tew, who is, by the way, an Englishman, has a voice which. though not of great volume, is of excellent besso mellowness. Mr. Howard will take rank among our best tenors. He would probably be heard to better advantage in a

This morning the season sale for the Maurice Grau Opera Company, which takes place at the Music Hall on December II, 12 perfect rendition of this popular opera is assured. On Thursday afternoon Wagner's "Tannhauser." directed by Mr. Walter Damrosch, will be heard. Among the artists well known to appear in this opera are Mme. Gadski, Mr. Dippel and Mr. Muhlmain. Among the new artists Mr. Grau will present on this occasion will be Mme. Louise Homer. Carrie Bridewell, contralto, and Mr. Biass, a basso, who recently returned from the Bairsuth Festival. On Thursday evening cast of "Faust" will embrace the brilliant Mme. Sembrich, Edouard de Rezke, our old friend Miss Bairsuchter. de Rezke; our old friend Miss Bauermeister Mr. Salignac and Mr. Scotti. Mr. Septilli will conduct "Faust." The last opera of the season will be "Aida," with Emma Earnes as Alda; Mme. Homer as Ammeria, the favorite barytone Campanari and a new tenor, Mr. De Marchi.

ert last night. Not only were the boxes filled by persons of fashlon, gayly garbed, but every parquet and bal-cony seat held an interested listener. There was no lowering of lights in the

foyer during the intermission, or other means of signaling to the promenaders that part second was about to begin, consepart second was about to begin, consequently many persons who had spent the few intervening moments in conversation with friends were compelled to wait until the close of a long chorus and solo num-ber, greatly to their discomfort. The Apollo Club nicely obviated this difficulty by lowering the foyer lights for an instant on Tuesday night, and it is understood that the Cheral-Symphony will follow suit at the coming December concert.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewall Buckner and Miss leannette McClanahan came with friends. Mrs. Sproule and Miss Martha Sproule sat in the parquet.

Miss Barbara Blackman was in the rear The Misses Taussig were late arrivals, uiting in the foyer until the conclusion

of the first number. Mr. and Mrs. Milton B. Griffith sat with ome Chicago friends. Miss Marian Day was in the parquet near

Mr. and Mrs. Philip N. Moore. Paine of the Apollo Club corted Miss Halderman Robert McLaren came alone, and Mr. and

Mrs. Charles Kunkel brought friends. The Reverend Father Powers was a par-Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bollman and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bollman were together. Mr. Isaac Hedges brought Miss Ione

Doctor Emma Eames-Chase sat with friends in the front of the bales Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kilpatrick were in their box with their daughters. In the Haarstick box were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Herf, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Whitte-

Mr. and Mrs. McKittrick Jones, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Potter and Mr. and Mrs. John David Davis were in a right box. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Catlin were in their rear box with friends.

Mrs. Mary McKittrick, Mr. and Mrs.

Hugh McKittrick, Miss McKittrick and

George Markham were in the McKittrick box in the right tier. Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Elder and Doctor Maivern Clopton were late arrivals.

Doctor and Mrs. Campbell Smith were
guests in the Haarstick box.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Knapp were in a read proscenium box. Miss Knapp were in a rear blue. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chauvenet enter

tained Robert Brookings and Will Chauve net in their box.

Mrs. George Castleman and Miss Postlevalte were in their box in the rear.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fowler had Mrs. Liggett with them. Miss January was in the Howard Elliott box, wearing pale gray, with violets at the

Mrs. E. C. Simmons, the Misses Glenn and George Simmons were in their box.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewall Buckner had a stage

Mr. August Meier, Mr. and Mrs. August Krutsch, Miss Krutsch, Mrs. August Meier, Sr., all of the South Side, sat in the front balcony. and Mrs. Thomas West and Aller Mrs. Richards and Miss Nellie Richards in

the Morton box. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker and Miss Walker were in rear parquet seats. The Misses Moody of Webster sat with ome suburban friends, not far from Mr.

and Mrs. Ernest Kroeger.
Mr. and Mrs. Gustavus Buder, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Henneman and Franklin P. Selzer were in front seats.

Mrs. William E. Ware and Mrs. Lewis
Marion McCall sat on the left. YOUNG FOLKS ENTERTAINED AT THANKSGIVING TEAS.



MRS. DAVID RANDOLPH CALHOUN.

(Nee Whitmore.)

Mrs. Joseph Boyce, Miss Boyce and Miss
Mary Frances Boyce gave a tea yesterday
afternoon from 5 to 7. Only young people
were invited, being received by Mrs. Boyce,
who wore a handsome black lace gown
over white taffeta; Miss Boyce, who was
in ecru crepe de Chine with Irish lace; Miss
Mary Frances Boyce, who wore rose crepe,
trimmed in an applique of white broadcloth
leaves, and Mrs. Frederick James Squibb
of Chicago, who is Miss Boyce's guest, and
who wore rose and white liberty satin, appliqued in black Chantilly lace, with narrow straps of black velvet.

The house was trimmed in many greens
and flowers, the dining-room being done in
yellow chrysanthemums. On the center table were yellow satin bands radiating from
a high basket of yellow beauties, the tall
handle tied with a buge yellow satin bow.
Sixteen girls were asked to assist in serving punch and the various delicacles. They
were Miss Florence York, Miss Spencer,
Miss Kauffman, Miss Loule Brown, Miss
Jane Wilkinson, Miss Walker, Miss Townsend, Miss Amy Townsend, Miss Heed, Miss
Jane Wilkinson, Miss Walker, Miss Townsend, Miss Amy Townsend, Miss Heed, Miss
Jane Wilkinson, Miss Heed, Miss
Priest, Miss Alice Gleason, Miss Fanny

Mary Frances Boyce, who were
Hollman, and Miss Charlotte Ruddick of
Keokuk. At the lemonade table were Miss
Edith O'Nell, Miss Lenita Collins and Miss
Mary Frances Boyce, who was
ledith o'Nell, Miss Lenita Collins and Miss
Miss Armstrong, who received with her
daghter, wore a white chiffon gown, while
daghter, wore a white plomada a
very pretty girl, was in white point d'esprit.
Mrs. Harvey P. Miller also assisted. In
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Mrs. Harvey P. Miller Bl

send, Miss Amy Townsend, Miss Heed, Miss Priest, Miss Alice Gleason, Miss Fanny Gleason, Miss Goddard, Miss Adams and Miss Sublett. Both men and girls, to the number of 200, made their appearance in the rooms during the hours, Many came in after the football games were over; and others arrived rather late and stayed until time to go on to the Thursday Club's dance. As this was the only tea yesterday to which men were invited, those who received cards accepted most joyfully, and duly presented themselves. The affair proved to be a lively and pronounced success.

One of the pleasant Thanksgiving enter-tainments was the tea given by Miss Adelo Armstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Armstrong, No. 4210 Delmar boule-vard, for her Mary Institute class, which will be graduated in 1902. Two hundred and out with it. Ananias, and tell the people just what you know.

The Audience.

Just enough power has been left to both the "efficient" and the inefficient its first season concert last night. Not only sight, quantities of Southern smilar covers. ern smilax covering every wall and making green bowers of each room. The dining-room was further trimmed in the 190; flower, pink carnations, with pink-shaded candles and ribbons, pink conbons and ices. But the most eff ornamentation came from the young girls themselves, who were in light and dainty rocks, those who assisted Miss Arm all wearing white point d'esprit. They were Miss Elizabeth Delafield, Miss Lily Lambert, Miss Helen Donovan, Miss Mary Blake, Miss Ethel Gamble, Miss Mary

The Thursday Dancing Club gave its first hop of a series of three last night at Mah-ler's, with a full attendance. Interest in the club is marked, and reflects creditably on the committee of young women who have

the committee of young women who have worked hard and faithfully to make the dances a success.

The patronesses who received last night were Mrs. Edward L. Adreon, Jr., Mrs. Guy P. Billon, Mrs. Arthur Garrison, Mrs. Bissell Ware, Mrs. Walker Evans, Jr., Mrs. Jacob Van Blarcom, Mrs. Walter Douglas and Mrs. Goodman Kins, Mrs. James L. great success

Mr. and Mrs. Moses Southwick Forbes have issued cards for the marriage of their daughter, Clara Bell, to Mr. Alfred Gaither Allen, on Tuesday. December 19, at 6 o'clock, at the Forbes residence, No. 3835 Delmar boulevard. At home after January 15 at No. 718 Elberon avenue, Cincinnati, O.

Miss Jane Wilkinson, in white puffed silk mull, was in a right proscenium box with

Miss Carrie Howard, wearing lavender and black velvet, sat in the rear with Charles P. Pettus. The Reverend Doctor Leon Harrison, Miss

Bessle Green, Charles Gallaway, Homer Moore, H. C. Rice were all parquet occu-Miss Sarah Tower, Mrs. Fischel and Miss Edna Fischel, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred He-bard, Franklin D. Ridgely enjoyed the

music from the rear parquet. Some of the annual subscribers who night's audience were: Mr and Mrs. W. A. Bonsack, Mr. and Mrs. C. Allen, John Havis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huttig, Miss Ida McLagan, Mrs. H. L. Morrill, Ottmar Moll, Henry Nicholaus, James T. Quaries, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Scott, Christine Zeller, Doctor and Mrs. W. Shoemaker, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scarritt, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Homer, Miss Car-oline Davidson, Mrs. A. G. Cochran, Miss Ella Cochran, Miss Hilbig, Mr. and Mrs. Norris Gregg, Mrs. C. Blenenstok, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Griesedieck, I. N. Halin, Mis-Johanning, F. W. Kirschner, Mrs. J. J. Kaufman, Miss Helen Luyties, Mr. and Mrs, Philip Medart, Doctor and Mrs. W. A. McCandless, Mr. and Mrs The Meier, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mallinckrodt, M. R. Windhorst, Mrs. Charles Wulfing, Mrs. C. B. Dieckriede, Miss Toni Lieber, Charles F. Haeckel and Miss Henrietta

CORONER MAKES A DENIAL.

Says Diphtheria Victims Are Not Unnecessarily Mutilated.

Coroner Funkhouser last night denied absolutely that any corpse had been, since his induction into office, unnecessarily mutilated by himself or his assistants in ing their autopsies. Statements that the bodies of children who died from injections of tetanus-infected antitoxin had been returned to their parents in a mutilated con-

dition, he denounced.
"In examining a body for traces of diphtheria," said the Coroner, "it is necessary always to get at the larynx. This can be done by making two slite, horizontal and longitudinal, laying open the throat in four flaps. But in no case have the children's bodies recently examined in St. Louis been so treated. The longitudinal slit, being indispensable, was made. Not one was cut crosswise.

indispensable, was made. Not one was cut crosswise.

"Nor was a single skull mutilated beyond what was absolutely necessary. It is imperative to examine the brain in every case. This was done by making a single slit over the top of the scalp. The skin was then laid back and a piece of the skull removed. After an examination the bone was replaced and the incision closed.

"In one case there was a slight facial disfigurement. The slit in the throat had to be extended to the point of the chin, and the scalp had to be slit just past the hair over the ears. The marks were defly concealed, however, by two or three stitches in each place. The body was returned to the parents clean and in good order. As I said, statements to the contrary are falsehoods. I knew in advance that something of that sort was being stirred up by certain people opposed to me. I can only ecorn their screed, as it is so utterly untrue."

Mariory Sampson, Lonia Sloan, Grace Malitole, Florence Longatreth, Ada Hirge, Nannie Lee, Kate Lee, Irene Bond, Jane Skinker, Adele Overall, Helen Morton, Julia Lake.

Mrs. Truman P. Riddle has sent out cards for Thursday afternoon, December 5, when she will introduce her daughter, Miss Rid-

KUBELIK TO VISIT ST. LOUIS. Wonderful Young Violinist Ar-

rives in New York. REPUBLIC SPECIAL New York, Nov. 28.—On the steamship Majestic, which arrived this morning, was Jan Kubelik, the wonderful young violinist who in his art has been called Paderewski's poer. Herr Kubelik presents a most striking appearance. He is clean shaven, nearly six feet tall and his jet black hair is very

long. His hands are of abnormal size.

Herr Kubelik gave the following inter-"My talent is inherited. My father, Josef,

was a market gardener by occupation,but a musician by the grace of God. He could play any instrument. play any Instrument.

"When I was 5 years old I showed my talent, and my father gave me a violin of his own make and taught me to play. This was in Michle, near Prague. My father taught me for two years and then I could play better than he could. I had different teachers after that, I gave my first public. play better than he could. I had different teachers after that. I gave my first public recital at Prague. It was a great success and my public career began." Herr Kubelik will visit St. Louis on his

WILL RETURN TO THE STAGE. Mrs. H. Clay Miner to Resume

tour through the country.

Name of Annie O'Neill. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, Nov. 28,-Charles Frohman has

induced Mrs. H. Clay Miner, widow of the Congressman and theatrical manager, to resume her name of Annie O'Neill and go back to the stage under his management. She has signed contracts to reproduce at the Madison Square Theater on December 39 the role of Joan Trevelyan in Basil Hood's comedy, "Sweet and Twenty," which was the hit of her stage career. She recently sold her fine realdence on Riverside drive and had settled at Red Bank, N. J. with her lives Bank, N. J., with her little son, inter never to go back to theatrical life.

To the Editor of The Republic

St. Louis, Nov. 28.-A few days ago I wa informed that some of your daily papers had taken occasion to question the correct-ness of various bond transactions the State of Missouri had with the firms of Ko Co., and Kohn, Popper & Co., and had re-flected rather unfavorably upon the firms. I have not seen any of the articles, Therefore, at present, I can make no c

upon them I advised Governor Dockery by telegraph that I would come here at or ready to answer any question to the proper authority that may be of interest, and am also prepared to pay the State of Missouri any sum of money that I, or any of my former partners, owe or wrongfully received from the State.

EDWARD POPPER.

SIX HUNDRED HUNGRY CHILDREN AT FEAST.

Turkey Dinner Is Served to the Poor at the Iudustrial Mission Rooms.

APPETITES ARE ALL APPEASED.

Tables Heaped With Good Things to Eat Are Empty When the Happy Guests Have Departed.

Six hundred children ate their fill of turkey and other goodies yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the Industrial Mission on the corner of Seventh and Gratiot streets When the doors opened precisely at 12 o'clock there were 350 hungry tots waiting, Before them loomed mountains of turkey meat, great bowls of cranberry sauce, ples galore and cake beyond measure; at least, this is the way it looked to the children. And the way that the food disappeared was a marvel.

filed out with difficulty to make room for another 200 that had guthered with appetites that made those in charge of the dinner stand aghost But the turkey is a game bird, and he held out to the end. There was plenty for all. Then came the third set after an hour's

waiting out in the cold, with eager glances

In half an hour 200 happy boys and girls

through the windows. While the others had been devouring the feast there was no

question as to what would happen to all that was left. When the turkey was nimest gone forty crisp, brown, smoking-hot chickens were brought out, and the willing hords lay siege. After the last of the children had departed for their homes, with straining buttons and faces beaming with smiles, the tables were a wilderness of bones. The charge of the six hundred had left little except the dishes and the table cloths, but no one came and went away unfed.

"It is worse than useless to force re-

ligion on an empty stomach, or to preach the beauties of Christianity to a shivering child," said one of those in charge yesterday, "Food and shelter first; the rest will

follow of its own accord."

Besides the Thanksgiving dinner yesterday, the Levee Mission the day before gave away over seventy-five Thanksgiving bas-kets that brought happiness to many a lonely home, and to the sick, who were un-able to get to the Mission. The food and clothing for these people were contributed by the general public. Christmas another dinner will be given

Christmas another dinner will be given, and more clothing and shoes distributed. To this work the public is asked to give cast-off clothing, food, money if it will, anything that the poor can use.

The men and women in active control of the work are Mrs. Woodson, Mrs. Charles J. Anderson, Miss Kunz, Miss Pauline Booch, Mrs. Eugene Bowers, Mrs. F. W. Baumhoff, Mrs. F. C. Norwood, Mrs. W. G. Barlow, Mrs. A. Lichtenstein and Miss Mattie Jerome, and Messrs. Charles A. Forse, W. G. Barlow, S. T. Abbott, J. A. Jacobs and Oliver Kirgin.

PRISONERS HAD TURKEY.

Bill of Fare Changed in Clayton Jail Yesterday.

The prisoners in the Clayton fall enjoyed a special Thanksgiving dinner yesterday. A half dozen turkeys were furnished by Sheriff Hencken, and as many more by religious organizations and friends of the prisoners. There are now nearly fifty prisoners in the jail, which is the largest number that has been confined on any previous

their friends.

Several poverty-stricken families in and around Clayton were made happy during the day by the pupils of the Clayton public school, who distributed baskets of among them under the direction of their principal, Miss Marie L. Turner.

AT THE CITY INSTITUTIONS.

Inmates of Hospitals and Prisons Have Good Dinners.

Thanksgiving was observed at all of the city institutions yesterday. In the morning there were religious exercises of some sort at each place and at noon the regular meals at each place and at noon the regular meals were varied by a few extras, which were greatly appreciated by the inmates.

There were singing exercises in the jall at 11 o'clock. Captain Huebler furnished his prisoners with a dinner of pork, potntoes, bread, coffee and soup, which wes much relished by his charges, who usually fare on roast beef and bread. Soup and vegetables variated the regular meal at the Workhouse.

The Saturday and Sunday Association assisted in lending sunshine to the day at the hospitals. Doctor Runge did his best to please the inmates of the Insane Asylum with an entertainment.

MILLIONAIRE'S GENEROSITY.

Gladdens Lives of Boyhood Friends

by Presenting Home to Each. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Somerville, N. J., Nov. 28.-A. R. Peacock, millionaire steel manufacturer of Pittsburg, Pa., has created a sensation here by visiting two old friends of his boyhood and presenting to each a fine house and lot on one of the best residence streets in the

own. The beneficiaries are Abram Su and Charles Holcomb. Mr. Peacock told his friends that he would art reacock too his friends that he would not go around like Andrew Carnesie, giv-ing away public libraries, but that he meant to dispose of some of his millions in gladdening the hearts of his old friends and fellow-men. Both Suydam and Hol-comb are old men of very limited means, who can no longer do hard work. When who can no longer do hard work. When Mr. Peacock instructed them to each select a nice house in town as a Thanksgiving present from him, they were daned at their good fortune. Suydam selected the residence of George W. Abbot and Holcomb the house owned by Miss Carrie Gildersleeve, both in High street. Mr. Peacock purchased the properties at once for 4,000 and turned them over to his old friends with a fund sufficient to equip them with all modern improvements.

Frischholz-Bath Wedding. Miss Emily Bath and Mr. H. Frischholz vere married at the bride's home in De Soto at noon Thanksgiving eve by the Reverend Mr. Britton. Miss C. Bath, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mr. J. Bloomfield was best man. The couple will be at home to their friends after December 11, at No. 424 North Market street, St. Louis. erend Mr. Walterman, assisted by the Rev-

Two Conventions at Farmington REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Farmington, Mo., Nov. 28.—The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Southeast Missouri Teachers' Association met here to-day with a large attendance from all parts of the Southeast. The session will lest three days. The Farmers' Institute is also holding the regular annual session here with quite a number of prominent mea from over the State present.

Candidates for Congress Speak. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Hope, Ark., Nov. 28.—D. L. King, W. V.
Tompkins and Minor Wallis, candidates for
Congress, spoke to a medium-sized sudience at the opera-house this afternoon.
Bach was applauded frequently.